P24651 Attorney Docket No. **Total Pages** P24651.P01 PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL Inventor(s) or Application Identifier Akira GYOTOKU, Takafumi HAMANO, Yuuji TOYOMURA, Tetsuro NAKAMURA, Yuzo KAWANO, and Kenichi MASUMOTO (Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b)) Title: IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS Commissioner for Patents Mail Stop Patent Application PO Box 1450 ADDRESS TO: Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS APPLICATION ELEMENTS Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary) Fee Transmittal Form (Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing) Computer Readable Form (CRF) Specification Sequence Listing on: Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. i. \square CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or Small Entity Statement(s) ii. D paper c. \square Statements verifying identity of above copies 3. Specification (preferred arrangement set forth below)

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English Translation Document (if applicable) - Background of the Invention
- Brief Summary of the Invention
- Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
- Detailed Description 13. Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations - Claim(s) - Abstract of the Disclosure 14. Preliminary Amendment ☑ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 7] 15. ☐ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (Should be specifically itemized) [Total Pages 4] ☑ Oath or Declaration ☐ Newly executed (original or copy) ☐ Unexecuted 16. ✓ Figure of Drawing to be published: 1 Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)) (for continuation/divisional with Box 20 completed) [Note Box 6 below] 17. Foreign priority claimed a.

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The above-identified application includes:

- 45 pages of specification with abstract.
- 7 sheets of drawings with 15 figures.
- 20 total claims and 14 independent.
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